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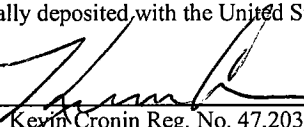
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**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2006 and is timely. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the required fees to Deposit Account No. 141449 under number 101896-163.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on the following page.